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## TERRIBLE ACCIDENT

CANNON CRACKER BLOWS OUT ONE MAN'S EYES AND INJURES ANOTHER.

## FEAR FIRST CANNOT LIVE

Christmas Celebration Results in a Terrible Injury to Reuben Rupert, Night Fireman at the Round House, and Loss of Part of a Finger to Joe Gunter, Car Repairer.

Reuben Rupert, night fireman of the stationary engine at the round-house, has probably lost both his eyes and may possibly die, and Joe Gunter, a car repairer for the railroad company, has a badly burned face and lacerated hand as a result of an accident with Christmas fireworks at eleven o'clock the night before Christmas.

Gunter was off duty and went to the round-house to celebrate a little, taking a giant fire-cracker, which he lit on a torch at the door of the building, near which is the stationary engine. Mr. Rupert was in the act of putting in a shovelful of coal and although he saw Gunter light the cracker he supposed he would throw it away before the explosion came. And that is what Gunter intended to do, but the cracker went off just as his hand went out to throw it and just as it came close to the face of Mr. Rupert. The force of the explosion was great, as shown by the scars on the door and building where pieces of the hard paper cracker struck. One of Mr. Rupert's eyes was blown completely out and the other burnt until the sight is believed to be out. His face was otherwise lacerated and burned. He remained unconscious six hours and then went out of his head. He has never returned to consciousness and it is feared, will not recover.

Mr. Gunter had the end of one finger torn off and his hand cut deeply in three places. He is not dangerously hurt, barring blood-poison.

Mr. Rupert lives at 301 East Sixth street, but was taken directly to St. Mary's hospital. He is 48 years old and has a wife. Gunter lives with a cousin in this city. He is about 23 years old and has no immediate relatives in Roswell.

## COURT DECIDES CASES OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Judge William H. Pope of district court, has decided two cases of interest to the people, one the "fence" case in which a test is being made to see if farmers without fenced fields can expect to get damages from cow men when their property is damaged by herds of cattle. Judge Pope's decision is in favor of the farmers. The decision is merely a formality in the case however, for it will be appealed at once in order to test the matter in the highest court. The other case is that of the people of Texico against the railroad company, in which the Texico people seek to force their town as the junction of the Santa Fe and the Pecos Valley line. The decision of the court was against Texico, dismissing the complaint, the case having come up in the form of a territorial suit. In the latter suit, plaintiff was represented by J. M. Hervey, attorney general; H. S. Patton, of Texico, U. S. Bateman, of Roswell and Cow and Burney, of Fort Worth. W. C. Reid, of Roswell, represented the railroad.

## CADETS WIN AGAIN FROM THE TOWN BOYS.

The largest crowd that has seen a football game in Roswell this year was at the Institute gridiron Christmas morning to see the first cadet team play the town boys. It was a close, hard-fought game and the cadets won it, ten to nothing.

The first half lasted twenty minutes

and the second fifteen. In five minutes after the game started, Baird for the Institute got through the line and made a touch down but after that the town boys held them without further score, although they were unable to make substantial gains. In the second half Houghton made a forty yard run after getting around the end and made a touch down after about eight minutes of play. Both goals were missed.

The teams were evenly matched. Neither could break the other's line except in the cases above mentioned and the difference came in on efficiency in making the forward pass and end runs. In this way the cadets made most of their gains and kept the ball most of the afternoon. The town boys had to kick on almost every third down. The cadets did this but once.

Boellner, the jeweler, has it cheaper

## CHRISTMAS TREES DREW LARGE CROWDS.

At all the churches of the city Christmas exercises were held either Thursday or Friday and in every case a big crowd was out to hear the program and see the distribution of gifts. It was here that Christmas was seen at its best. The Salvation Army will have its tree tonight. Every body is invited.

Don't forget the drawing at Luff's Candy Kitchen, North Counter Payton Drug Store, tonight at 7:30. Five premiums in all; first the beautiful doll on exhibit in window; second premium, 3 lb. box chocolates; third premium, 2 lb. box chocolates; fourth and fifth premiums, 1 lb. box chocolates, each. Look up your tickets. Will advertise lucky numbers Monday. E. H. Luff.

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## Cotillion at Country Club.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutherland gave a cotillion at the Country Club yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Lena Woodruff. Those present were Misses Zora Wilson, Gardner, Tillotson, Florence Howell, Mildred Woodruff, Lena Woodruff, Irene Murray, Mary Quarterman, Josephine Murray, Helena Sutherland, Maud Lewis, Messrs. Woodruff, Baldwin, Cooley, Parsons, Robertson, Will Woodruff, Farral Sutherland. The music was furnished by Mrs. C. A. Norvell. Nice refreshments were served.

## CHRISTMAS DANCES BRING OUT CROWDS.

Forty couples of young people took part in the dancing party of the Gaultier Club at their rooms in the Gaultier block Christmas night, and the event was thoroughly pleasant in every respect. The club was decorated in red and white and the members wore badges of the same color. The Norvell orchestra furnished splendid music and the floor was in the best of condition, making a good time possible for those who love to dance. Delicious punch was served through the evening.

The masquerade dance at the skating rink Christmas eve drew a small but congenial crowd who spent a very pleasant evening dancing to the music of the Ashinhus-Leland orchestra. Some of the dancers were in costume, lending an amusing feature to the evening.

## WILLIAMS BROTHERS HAVE BEEN INDICTED.

Word has come of the indictment of the Williams Brothers, of Hereford, Tex., for the killing of John Armstrong, the manager of the XIT outfit. John Williams is charged with murder in the first degree and "Dobe" Williams is charged with conspiring to murder. The latter has been allowed bond, but the amount of the bond was not learned. Upon the court's motion the case was sent for trial to the court at Canyon City, which meets in February.

If your subscription to the Ladies Home Journal or the Saturday Evening Post, has expired, now is the time to send in your renewals.

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## THERE IS NO-THING IN IT

NO SIGNIFICANCE IN WAITRE'S ATTEMPT TO PULL THE PRESIDENT'S BEARD.

## FRANCE IS STIRRED UP

Newspapers think Government Should Do Something to Put an End to Little Campaign of Dissatisfied Royalists Who Are Continually Stirring Up trouble for the Officials.

Paris, France, Dec. 26.—The entire press, with the exception of the reactionary newspapers consider the attack yesterday in the streets of Paris upon President Faillieres by an unemployed waiter named Mattis, who said he only tried to pull the President's beard, as a fantastic act without political importance.

If the cause of the Bourbons and the Bonapartists were not as dead as a door nail, such pitiful exhibitions of impotent fury would completely discredit them. Despite the general opinion, nevertheless, some of the Republican organs express the opinion the Government should do something to put an end to the campaign persistently conducted by small groups of militant royalists, aided by the clerical organizations, with the object of keeping public opinion inflamed. The recent disorders at the Academy of Medicine, while originating from genuine dissatisfaction with the new system of examinations, are attributed largely to this same royalist and clerical agitation which some time ago brought about the retirement of Prof. Thalamas, whose offense consisted in writing the history of Joan of Arc. He attempted to prove the stories of her divine inspirations mere legends devoid of any historical foundations. The mental calibre of Mattis is illustrated by the fact that he was swindled a few weeks ago by a matrimonial advertisement. He gave up his entire savings of \$1,200 under the impression that he was about to marry a woman.

Mrs. Ida Mendenhall, dress and cloak maker. Evening dresses a specialty. All styles of cloaks and coats made to order.—407 N. Penn. ave. Roswell. 49113eod.

## INSURRECTION BREAKS OUT AT MOSCOW.

Moscow, Russia, Dec. 26.—Baron Cotte, chief of the secret political police, was killed and Count Maurel wounded, in a fierce encounter with revolutionists who were entrenched in a suburban villa. During the fighting several policemen were killed and others wounded. Troops were summoned to the aid of the policemen and a regular battle ensued.

Artillery finally had to be brought to bombard the villa before the revolutionists could be subdued. The occurrence is the most serious since the uprising of December, 1905. The police were fired upon when they approached the house, having heard of the meeting of the revolutionists. The desperate resistance was unexpected and the police withdrew and infantry was sent for. The second attack was also beaten off after a desperate fight, and not until artillery was brought up was the trouble ended. The losses of the revolutionists are unknown but are doubtless heavy.

## CARNEGIE PUT UP TO HUNT OUT PITTSBURG GRAFT.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 26.—It is said that Andrew Carnegie has put up about \$150,000 in order to clean Pittsburg morally, following the municipal bribery cases. The story is told in the fashionable Duquesne Club and the Pittsburg Club, and it says that the same men who told of Pittsburg's condition to President Roosevelt, also went to Andrew Carnegie and laid

the array of facts before him. The result, according to the rumor, was that he authorized the expenditure of \$150,000 in detective work, etc. He is said to have taken the same kind of a stand that Claus Spreckles did in cleaning up San Francisco.

## EFFORT TO CUT SHORT THE SPECIAL SESSION.

Washington, Dec. 26.—If the leaders of Congress of both parties are able to bring sufficient influence upon President-elect Taft, the special session to revise the tariff will be called immediately after the inauguration, the purpose being to cut the special session as short as possible and secure adjournment before the extremely hot weather sets in. It is expected the House Ways and Means Committee will have a bill ready to report when the special session meets and no time will be lost in further committee hearings.

## MERCHANT FATALLY WOUNDED BY MIDNIGHT ROBBERY.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 26.—Samuel Rodinsky was shot and fatally wounded on his doorstep early today at his home, the assailant escaping. On the ground nearby was found a black cap, and a black jack. Two shots were fired, one bullet doing through the temple, which will be fatal. The victim

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kept a dry goods store and saloon. The police believe that the man followed him from the store after closing at midnight, believing he would have the day's receipts of both places in his pockets.

The new pastor of the Second (colored) Baptist church will be installed tomorrow night by the territorial missionary.

## JOHNSON WHIPS TOMMY BURNS IN AUSTRALIA.

Sidney, Australia, Dec. 26.—Johnson won the heavy weight championship from Tommy Burns this morning. The police stopped the fight in the fourteenth round to save Burns from further punishment. Johnson, a Negro, formerly of Texas, won all the way.

## Beautiful Calendars.

We take this means of advising our customers that our Beautiful Art Calendars, entitled "Cascade Falls, Yosemite Valley," reproduced by color photography from an original painting by Thos. Moran, who is undoubtedly the foremost of living American scenic painters, will be ready for delivery Jan. 4th and we will take pleasure in registering you for one (this applies to heads of families only) if you will call at our office between Dec. 22 and Jan. 2d, inclusive and leave your name and address. (Those desiring extra copies may have them at 50c. each.)

Mr. Moran has been highly honored by the United States government, two of his great canvases of Western scenes having been purchased by special act of Congress to hang in the National Capitol at Washington. As the artist has advanced in years his pictures have steadily increased in price, until his least effort is now worth a great deal of money and finds ready sale at large figures.

We have found this manner of distribution desirable, as they are too expensive to risk their loss or breakage in the mail or to be given out promiscuously.

In thanking you for your patronage and friendship, may we express the hope that you will continue to let us serve you? Your business will receive our best attention—OUR AIM IS TO GROW IN BUSINESS BY DESERVING TO GROW. With compliments of the season, we are,

Yours very truly,

ROSWELL GAS COMPANY

## SPRECKLES DIED TODAY

SUGAR MILLIONAIRE PASSED AWAY OF PNEUMONIA AT SAN FRANCISCO.

## BIG WESTERN INFLUENCE

Was Prominent Not Only in Sugar Importations and Refining but Also in Mining and His Sons are Noted in Banking and Newspaper Work, One Being Owner of the San Francisco Call.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Claus Spreckles, the famous sugar millionaire died from pneumonia early today.

Spreckles recently returned from New York, suffering from a cold which developed into pneumonia, although at first it was not thought to be serious. He was born in Germany in 1828 and came to the United States in 1846 reaching San Francisco in 1856, where he established a store and later conducted a brewery. In 1868 he built the Bay Sugar Refinery and began the importation of raw materials from Hawaii. The prospering business built other refineries and later promoted beet sugar industry. He was largely interested in many other enterprises.

Spreckles sons and two daughters were at his bedside. Rudolph returned from Honolulu, Japan. His son, John D., is proprietor of the San Francisco Call.

Apart from the importance which attached to Claus Spreckles as the pioneer sugar refiner of the Pacific coast and an investor in mines in California and the Hawaiian Islands, the Spreckles family has for many years been one of the most prominent in the state. His son John D., has for many years been a directing influence in the Oriental trade. Apart from other interests, and his son Rudolph is president of the First National Bank of this city. Spreckles has been one of the strong supporters of the graft prosecutions in San Francisco to the extent of thousands of dollars, in addition to his active participation.

## CONGRESSMAN DAY, OF LOUISIANA, IS DEAD.

New Orleans, Dec. 26.—Congressman Robert C. Davey, of Louisiana, died here today after an illness of several months. His death was due to a complication of diseases. The deceased was born near New Orleans in 1853, and was first elected to the Fifty-third Congress.

The regular monthly meeting of the Roswell Anti-Saloon League will be held on Sunday p. m., Dec. 27th, 1908, at 3 o'clock, in the basement of the Baptist church. Matters of importance to be considered. Members are urged to be present.

## ROCKEFELLER LIBEL SUIT HEARING POSTPONED.

New York, Dec. 26.—The hearing of the criminal libel suit brought by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., against S. S. Carylho, Bradford Merrill and E. H. Clark, respectively, president, treasurer and secretary of the Star Publishing Company, which prints the New

York American, was postponed until next Tuesday by Magistrate Finn in the police court today. The charge against the newspaper publishers followed the publication by the American about ten days ago a story under Chicago date, in which Rockefeller is accused of responsibility for the alleged practice of peonage labor in a camp near Chicago.

## FATHER OF SENATOR PENROSE IS DEAD.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 26.—Richard F. Penrose, father of U. S. Senator Boies Penrose, died at his home here today of pneumonia, at the age of 82. He was well known in the medical and literary world, having contributed to many papers on a variety of subjects.

## DEWEY CELEBRATES SEVENTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Admiral George Dewey, the hero of Manila Bay, today celebrated his seventy-first birthday. The Admiral has been suffering from Sciatica recently and is not in the best of health. He is receiving many congratulations.

## 210 MILLIONS FOR INTEREST IN NEW YORK CITY.

New York, Dec. 24.—The first month of the new year will be marked by the payment of enormous dividends and interest disbursements on stocks and bonds of banks and trust companies, railroad, industrial and other corporations of New York City. It is said the total distributed during the month will exceed 210 million dollars. The increase is approximately 17 million dollars over the disbursements of January of last year. The increase is generally attributed to the enormous amount of securities issued during the year.

Fresh Canned Cod fish today.—T. C. MARKET.

## MUCH MONEY FOR THE INAUGURATION OF TAFT.

Washington, Dec. 23.—If money has anything to do with making the inauguration a success that of President-elect Taft on March 4th, next, will be the greatest the country has ever seen. Already Chairman Giles, of the finance committee has in his possession a guaranty of \$75,000 which is \$12,000 more than the total amount received four years ago, and it is expected that before the contributions cease, the fund will be considerably larger. The chief source of revenue from which to return the guaranteed fund, is the inaugural ball, which brought in \$46,000 four years ago, while the income from the reviewing stands was \$20,000. It is expected there will be at least 200,000 visitors in Washington on inauguration day.

A few nice turkeys for New Years. T. C. MARKET.

J. J. Williamson has arrived from Southern Texas and will be here indefinitely on business.

## U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.

(Local Report. Observation Taken at 6:00 a. m.) Roswell, N. M., Dec. 26.—Temperature, Max. 54; Min. 22; Mean 38. Precipitation 0. Wind 3 miles W. Weather partly cloudy.

Forecast for Roswell and Vicinity. Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday. Warmer tonight.

Comparative Temperature Data. Extremes this date last year.—Max 71; Min. 24.

Extremes this date 14 years' record.—Max. 71, 1907; Min. 10, 1896.

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